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Mrs. Francis B. Hall, after consultation with the members of her family, Miss Sallie Peters, and Senator Florence, has retained Mr. Timothy Newell Pfeiffer, an attorney of New York City, as personal counsel for herself and family to carry out their determination to bring about the solution of the mystery of the murder of Rev. Edward W. Hall.

Miss Peters is a mutual friend of Mrs. Hall and of Mr. Pfeiffer, who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney of the County of New York in the Homicide Bureau, and more recently a Special Deputy Attorney General of the State of New York in the conduct of various Lockwood Committee prosecutions.

Mr. Pfeiffer is in complete charge of the case for Mrs. Hall and her family, and has made a detailed examination of the known facts. Nothing will be left undone which can throw any light whatever upon the commission of the crime or the person or persons guilty of the dual murder. Any clues found or evidence unearthed will be immediately communicated to the prosecutors, with whom Mr. Pfeiffer conferred today.

Mrs. Hall has authorized the exhumation of the body of her husband for the purpose of a further autopsy. The developments of the case indicate that this is necessary conclusively to establish many vital facts not now known.

Following the probate, yesterday, of Mr. Hall's will, his safe deposit box in the National Bank of N.J. was opened today in the presence of the representatives of the prosecutors and the State Comptroller and of Edward W. Hicks, the solicitor for the estate of Mr. Hall. The securities bequeathed to Mr. Hall by Mrs. Mary M. Stevens, amounting to ten thousand dollars (10,000) were found in tact. Mr. Hall's life was insured by the New York Life Insurance Company for one thousand dollars (\$1,000). The beneficiary is his mother, Mrs. Fanny Hall.